

## PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of:			Examiner: Unassigned		
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For:	RECORDING MEDIUM, INK-JET RECORDING METHOD USING THE SAME, AND DISPERSION OF ALUMINA HYDRATE	; ) ; )	September 24, 2003		

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## <u>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</u>

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Each of the documents was cited in Application No. 09/006,478 (the "'478 Application"), the parent application of this divisional application. Copies of European Search Reports, dated December 14, 1995, January 11, 1996 and May 14, 1998 citing some of the listed documents were also submitted in the '478 Application.

The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents may be found in the specification at pages 2-6, 14-16, 19-20, 22, 16-A, 27, 37, 39 and 73 and in the Information Disclosure Statement filed in Application No. 08/231,659, a predecessor of the present application. Also, Applicants obtained English language computer database Abstracts, where readily available, for the non-English documents and attached them to the respective copies previously submitted.

It is believed that copies of the documents should be available to the Examiner

under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d). Additional copies of the previously-submitted cited documents,

English language abstracts and European Search Reports will be supplied to the Examiner upon

request.

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It is believed that no fee or certification is required in connection with this

Information Disclosure Statement, since it is being submitted prior to the issuance of a first

Official Action on the merits.

**CONCLUSION** 

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the

Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such

information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office

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